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BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

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> STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

> > Administrative Action

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE

APPLICATION OF

CHRISTI RAYMOND

TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("Board") upon review of Christi Raymond's application for licensure as a massage and bodywork therapist. Upon a review of the application, and the results of the Criminal History Background Check, it was ascertained by the Board that in response to the questions relating to arrests and convictions on the application, the applicant indicated that she had never been charged with any offense. However, the background check indicated that the applicant had been arrested in 2008 on charges of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Ms. Raymond was admitted into a diversionary program, and the charges were ultimately dismissed. Ms. Raymond claims that she checked "no" in response to the question about ever being charged with a crime or offense because she was unaware that it was considered an "offense" when she had been conditionally discharged.

The Board finds that the applicant knew or should have known that by failing to disclose the fact of the arrest on the application in response to the questions about arrests and/or convictions she was providing misleading information, and that she therefore engaged in misrepresentation on her application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that licensure as well as entry of the within order are appropriate, and sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

## HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. A \$100.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed upon respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, and shall be submitted along with this signed order.
- 2. The applicant's application for licensure shall be granted upon payment of all applicable fees and demonstration of satisfaction of all requirements for licensure, if she has not already done so.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:

Cynthia Sinicropi-Philibosian

Chairperson

I have read and understand the Within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.

Christi Paymond